

How to play Salute (Addition/Subtraction)

Number of players: 3

Materials: A deck of playing cards, with the face cards removed; ace = 1. (When children are beginning to play this game, it is good to use cards up to 6 and gradually increase the numbers to 7, 8, and so on.)

Play: The cards are dealt to two of the three players. The two players sit facing each other, and each holds his stack face down without looking at the cards. Simultaneously, the two then take the top cards of their respective piles and say, "Salute!" as each holds a card on his forehead so that he can see the opponent's card but not his own.

The third player (who can see both cards) announces the total. Each of the other two players tries to figure out the number on his card, by finding the difference between the two cards. The person who shouts the correct number first takes both cards. The winner is the person who collects more cards.

How to play Salute (Multiplication/Division)

Number of players: 3

Materials: A deck of playing cards, with the face cards removed; ace = 1. (When children are beginning to play this game, it is good to use cards A, 2, 5, and 10, and gradually increase the numbers to 3, 6, 4, and so on.)

Play: The cards are dealt to two of the three players. The two players sit facing each other, and each holds his stack face down without looking at the cards. Simultaneously, the two then take the top cards of their respective piles and say, "Salute!" as each holds a card on his forehead so that he can see the opponent's card but not his own.

The third player (who can see both cards) announces the product. Each of the other two players tries to figure out the number on his card, by finding the the two cards. The person who shouts the correct number first takes both cards. The winner is the person who collects more cards.